



Louisiana Camp Livingston

Facility and Location

The Camp Livingston property is located approximately ten miles northeast of Alexandria in Grant and Rapides Parishes. Approximately 6,783 acres were acquired in 1928. This land was originally designated as an artillery range for Camp Beauregard. In the early 1940s, another 5,928 acres were acquired and added by Declaration of Taking to the formally established Camp Livingston. An additional 5,864 acres of land were acquired from the Department of Agriculture, raising the total acreage for Camp Livingston to 18,576 acres.

Camp Livingston was established as an infantry training facility in the 1940s. Approximately 9,500 structures or improvements were constructed to facilitate development of troops during World War II. The site of the former installation is now mostly undeveloped woodland. The portion that is currently owned by the state of Louisiana is used for National Guard training. The majority of the remaining lands are part of the Kisatchie National Forest, under control of the Department of Agriculture.

It is assumed that the site was used from 1928 until the early 1940s as an artillery range. No documentation confirming this assumption has been found; however, artillery rounds have been recovered since closure of the installation. Additionally, it is known that upon activation of Camp Livingston, artillery firing was conducted at the Breezy Hill Artillery Range. Breezy Hill Artillery Range was a sub-installation of Camp Livingston. Extensive ordnance clearance was conducted in 1946; however, unexploded ordnance hazards continue to be discovered.

Media Sampled and Findings

Surface Water — In 2007, four of four samples detected perchlorate from 0.04 to 0.08 ppb.

Appropriate Actions

Not Applicable. All samples were below the EPA and DoD Preliminary Remediation Goal of 15 ppb.